# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

## FISCAL NOTE



HB 2565 - SB 2629

January 24, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires local boards of education to notify parents and guardians at the beginning of each school year that school fees, including fees for books, workbooks, and field trips, are voluntary. Requires the notification to state verbatim that "Tennessee law provides that no student shall be required to pay a fee to the school for any purpose, except as authorized by the board of education, and NO FEES OR TUITIONS SHALL BE REQUIRED of any student as a condition to attending the public school or using its equipment while receiving educational training. Any such school fees shall be entirely voluntary."

#### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

### Assumptions:

- The majority of local education agencies (LEAs) will notify parents and guardians in an electronic format, through e-mail or the LEA website.
- LEAs that typically disseminate printed notifications to parent or guardians at the beginning of each school year will include the mandated notification with other printed materials.
- Any increase in local government expenditures will be not significant.

#### **CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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